



Fall season is upon us and we have so many amazing events and opportunities coming up for our Community! Everything from softball fundraisers to Halloween Festivals, and soon to be announced Christmas events. Please make sure to stay tuned to the City of Everman Events webpage: [www.evermantx.us/events](http://www.evermantx.us/events)

For the fourth year in a row, the City of Everman was able to lower the overall property tax rate yet again, providing a 15-year record low in the total tax rate. Although we are pleased with our ability to be able to do this, the Everman City Council continues to push for bigger relief. City staff is continuing to work to improve local developer, support local businesses, and identify alternative funding sources to provide greater property tax relief. We are confident in our ability to do this, but need your support! The Everman local economy is heavily dependent upon small businesses. Make sure to Eat, Shop, and Play local whenever possible to support the local economy that will lead to greater property tax relief in the future.

Transportation projects have taken center stage as a focal point for the city. Recently, the City of Everman just completed a rebuild of S. Race Street from Enon Avenue to Shelby/Everman Parkway. We are currently working with Tarrant County and are getting very close to breaking ground on the Wichita Street widening project which will stretch from the City of Everman to Interstate 20. Forest Hill Drive is currently in the design phase with engineers for widening and has already been approved for funding through the Regional Transportation Council using federal funds. This project will not only provide much needed transportation improvements, but will also fund major stormwater improvements in the region along Chambers Creek. The City of Everman was also approved in a joint application with the City of Fort Worth to fund a new system of sidewalks that will provide safe pedestrian avenues from Pittman Park to the Everman High School, and Oak Grove Rd. to Baxter Junior High. The City of Everman is also engaged with the City of Fort Worth in the concept phase of widening Shelby Rd. and Everman Parkway, which will also provide some much-needed intersection improvements at Race & Shelby.

There are so many more amazing projects and actions happening within our community. I want to strongly encourage each of you to get involved. The Everman City Council meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Everman Civic Center. Our meetings are also available live on YouTube through the City of Everman YouTube Channel. Stay informed on all the amazing things that are happening in your community. If you're interested, take another step and get involved with one of our great boards or commission, or sign up to volunteer! I am so incredibly proud and blessed to have such an amazing team of employees that work here within the City of Everman. They are working hard each and every day to constantly provide improvements within the community.

### **Important Dates for our Community Events**

October 24, 2024- Halloween Festival at Timberview Farmstead from 6pm -9pm

November 30, 2024- Everman Holiday Market at Civic Center from 10am – 6pm

December 5, 2024- Everman Christmas Tree Lighting at Civic Center from 6pm – 9pm

December 23, 2024- Everman Christmas Movie Night and the time and place to be determined.

Please check our Facebook page and website for any updates for these events.

City Manager, Craig Spencer

### **EVERMAN UTILITY BILLING DEPT**

***\*\*PLEASE NOTE – The City of Everman will be changing operating hours starting on Monday June 10<sup>th</sup> in order to better serve our citizens and customers. Public Works, Utility Billing, Permitting, City Services, and Administration will operate Monday -Thursday from 7am to 6pm. City Hall and associated offices will be closed on Fridays. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this change, please give us a call at (817) -293-0525.***

We have updated our website for easier access to all residents. We have added water service documents, garage sale permit application, rental registration forms, and pavilion and Civic center rental applications. Our water customer service policy is also available online. For more information, please visit <http://www.evermantx.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2.1-Water-Customer-Service.pdf>

<http://www.evermantx.us/payments/water-utility/>

### **Garbage Collection**

**Waste Connections provides garbage collection. In order to expedite garbage collection, the following information is provided.**

- 1. City-wide pick-up days are *Tuesdays* and *Fridays*; *Fridays* are also recycling days. Waste Connections observes the holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas and New Year's. If your collection day falls on one of these holidays, call (817) 222-2221 for collection day.**
- 2. Garbage must be out front at curbside by 7:00am on your collection day.**
- 3. Discounts are provided to Senior Citizens. To apply for a discount contact City Hall at (817) 293-0525.**
- 4. No hazardous waste, tires, batteries, liquids or inflammables can be left for collection.**
- 5. We encourage you to contact Waste Connections directly if you are experiencing a problem with your garbage collection at (817) 222-2221.**

#### **EVERMAN MUNICIPAL COURT**

The Everman Municipal Court as a Court of Record, serves its citizens and guests within the community in a courteous, efficient, and professional manner. The court and its officers process cases in a fair and impartial manner.

Our mission is to provide effective and impartial administration of justice. We are dedicated and committed to promoting the highest standards in customer service, upholding the integrity of the court, and building public trust and confidence.

The Everman Municipal Court adjudicates Class C misdemeanor offenses and city ordinance violations punishable by fine only. The Court Office is located in the Everman City Hall and is staffed with a Court Clerk who can assist you daily. The Court Clerk is not a licensed attorney and **CANNOT** provide you with legal advice!

The Municipal Court accepts, Credit cards, checks and money orders as a form of payment. You have ten (10) calendar days from the date of your citation to either pay the citation, make a payment plan, or set your citation for court. You will need to make an appearance in person, by mail, or by attorney representation by your appearance date.

These dockets will be set for a one-hour session at various times every first Monday of the month between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. please visit <http://www.evermantx.us/municipal-court/>

#### **Everman Police Department**

As the Texas Summer "broil" fades away (sort of), outdoor Fall activities are kicking into high gear. The sounds of

football and the smell of pumpkin spice fill the air while the Fall holiday season rapidly approaches once again. All of us at the Everman Police Department would like to wish you a happy holiday season and offer a few reminders to help keep you safe.

With more purchases being made from on-line retailers, "porch pirates" are always watching for opportunities to steal packages from unattended delivery locations. This is especially true during the Christmas shopping season. Please try to arrange delivery to a secure location or at a time where someone is available to retrieve the package when it is delivered. A lonely package sitting on the porch makes a very inviting target for theft.

Credit or Debit Card purchases are another favorite target for the bad guys. On-line shopping scams are frequently used to obtain your account or identity information. Be certain of the site before submitting your information. Remember ... if the deal sounds too good to be true, it usually is best avoided. While shopping in person in any of our local retailers, be aware of your surroundings. Notice anyone who may be paying more attention to you than to shopping. They may be looking for an opportunity to commit a crime. Be mindful as you move through parking lots also. If you have a car that unlocks with a key, have your key(s) in hand and look around to scan for potential threats before you approach your car. Unlock and enter your car quickly and don't forget to lock your doors once inside.

Don't forget: Avoid leaving valuables in your car whether at home, at work or while shopping. At the very least, cover items left in the car so they aren't easily seen and identified from the outside. And ... (we can't say this enough) **LOCK YOUR CARS!** By far, the majority of our vehicle related theft offenses occur simply because the car was unlocked.

Let's not forget home security. Check your doors and windows to make sure they lock properly. Burglars and thieves are always looking for easy access, especially around Christmas. The bad guys no you likely have nice, new presents and are ever-so-patiently waiting for Christmas so you can tear into all that wrapping paper to reveal the goodies. They also know people are frequently away from home more this time of year, giving them more opportunities to secure their spots on Santa's "Naughty" list. The bad guys like nothing better than to impersonate the Grinch but in this case, they would be stealing from YOUville rather than Whoville.

Please be careful with decorations too. Make sure the electrical cords don't overload a circuit or create a trip risk or fire hazard. Everyone enjoys seeing brightly decorated houses with big displays of twinkling lights, but no one should be hurt in the process.

Don't forget about our Vacation House Watch program also! If you are planning a trip, add one more item on your "To Do" list. Stop by the police department and fill out a Vacation House Watch request. Our officers will make regular observation checks of your house while you are away. Hopefully you will then return to a secure home just the way you left it instead of returning to an unpleasant surprise. That way you have nothing to do when you return except all the fun stuff after a trip, like ... unpacking bags full of laundry!

On behalf of everyone at the Everman Police Department, we wish each of you and your families a Healthy, Happy and Joyous Thanksgiving and Christmas season. Your hometown police officers are always here for you. Help us help you.

And if we don't see you before, please have SAFE New Year's celebrations but remember the two biggest "don'ts". PLEASE don't drink and drive and PLEASE don't celebrate with random gunfire. Both for the same reason ... other lives depend on it.

As we welcome Fall, it only means the Holiday season is around the corner. As the goodies and gifts start filling our homes, TCRC would like everyone to remember to lock your doors and be aware of your surroundings. We want everyone to have a safe and happy holiday

If someone needs assistance, TCRC would like to provide some tips when calling in:

1. Please provide your address and the city of which you reside.
2. Stay as calm as possible. The dispatcher will ask specific questions to the incident to protect you and the first responders.
3. Please remember that there will be a dispatcher taking your call and another dispatcher dispatching officers, medics, or fire personnel to you. There is no delay in response.
4. If 9-1-1 is accidentally dialed, please stay on the line. Dispatch wants to make sure our citizens are safe and will call back to verify if emergency personnel is needed.

TCRC is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Contact 817-293-2923 option 0, for assistance. Your safety is our priority.

Upcoming events:

October 1, 2024 - TCRC will have a booth at the Everman and Forest Hill National Night Out. We will have games and bags of fun stuff to hand out. Also, we will be sharing safety and 9-1-1 tips. Hope to see you there!

Beverly Patton and Al Brooks

### Everman Civic Center



### About...

This beautiful venue was completed in June 2022. The Civic Center is situated strategically between Wichita and Race with access to parking from both streets. It is also located immediately adjacent to the beautiful Clyde Pittman Park. The Everman Civic Center was designed to serve a variety of purposes to include civic events, conferences, economic support, municipal operations, reception venue and so much more.

### Conference Rooms

The Everman Civic Center has three conference rooms equipped with high-quality technology. The largest conference room (Suite 100) comes equipped with a touchscreen neat board and Zoom-Room Technology allowing for international collaboration. These rooms are made available to Everman businesses at no cost in an effort to support small businesses and economic growth. These rooms are also utilized for a variety of civic purposes. Furthermore, these rooms make excellent "get-ready" rooms for other special events such as Weddings, Quinceaneras, etc.

## Ballroom

The 5,000 square-foot ballroom is vast with beautiful dry-wall "clouds" that provide such an elegant touch on the room and give a very "Grand" feel to the space. The room is equipped with adjustable lighting so that you can set the appropriate mood and lighting for your event. The ballroom also comes equipped with a 189" projector screen (18 feet wide) and a 3-D Laser 4K Projector to provide a beautiful and crisp image or video in any environment. The room also comes equipped with audio equipment that is designed for use with conferences, lectures, meetings, or training. With the rental of this venue, the City of Everman will provide tables and chairs at no additional cost (Up to 16 Round (72") Tables, 20 Rectangular (8') Tables, and/or 300 Chairs). Tablecloths are available with rentals at an additional cost.

## Kitchen

The Everman Civic Center has a large commercial catering kitchen. The kitchen is equipped with two large refrigerators, a commercial ice machine, microwave, commercial sinks and a catering warmer. All of these items are available for your use with a rental. Additionally, there is a service window available if desired, or you may choose to keep the window closed to provide separation from your event and the kitchen staff. There is a private catering drive and access door available directly to the kitchen. This provides tremendous convenience for professional catering staff and limits any sort of unsightly intrusion within your event.

### **TOURS ARE PROVIDED BY AN APPOINTMENT DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS.**

<https://calendly.com/civiccenter-appointment> or /  
EVERMANTX.US/ Call to book.

### **COME CHECK IT OUT!**

#### **TOURS:**

**Tuesday: 2pm -4pm**

**Wednesday: 1pm-4pm**

**Thursday: 11 am-12pm & 2pm -4pm**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: Iliza Barrios at (817) 456-4009 Or City Hall at (817) 293-0525**

**email: [ibarrios@evermantx.net](mailto:ibarrios@evermantx.net)**

The community is welcome to attend the weekly worship service every Sunday morning inside of the Civic Center presented by Burning Bush Christian Church at 10:00am.

## Permits Department

Some work requires permit and inspection to assure work is complying with current City Codes as well as International Codes. If you're in doubt as to whether or not the work you're wanting to do requires a permit, please call or email [dstrickland@evermantx.net](mailto:dstrickland@evermantx.net) to ask. Changes, additions, new construction, repairs and/or alterations conducted without proper permits may be required to remove work that has been done, be issued a summons and/or be charged a double permit fee. Better to measure twice and cut once if you know what I mean.

Online Contractor Registration Application requires picture identification and state license. It doesn't require certificate of insurance (COI) at this time but it is. Applications for permits or contractor registration are required to be submitted completely. If required information, documents and the like are not submitted sufficiently it may delay issuance of permit/registration. Correcting that is in the works but hasn't been achieved just yet. Please note, it is required in order to register as a contractor with the City of Everman.

## Code Enforcement

Greetings Everman,

Since the release of the Spring newsletter, there has been some improvement to our neighborhoods, but there is still some work to be done. The majority of complaints received by the Code Enforcement office are parking of vehicles, litter and overgrown yards and lots.

Section 302.8 of the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) states that inoperable or unlicensed (expired registration) vehicles shall not be parked, kept or stored on any premise, and vehicles shall not at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair or in the process of being stripped or dismantled. Exception: a vehicle of any type is permitted to undergo major overhaul, including body work, provided that such work is performed inside a structure or similarly enclosed area designed and approved for such purposes (not in a residential zone).

La Sección 302.8 del Código Internacional de Mantenimiento de Propiedades (IPMC) de 2018 establece que los vehículos inoperables o sin licencia (registro vencido) no se estacionarán, guardarán ni almacenarán en ningún local, y Los vehículos no deberán encontrarse en ningún

momento en estado de desmontaje importante, mal estado o en proceso de desmontaje o desmantelamiento. Excepción: se permite que un vehículo de cualquier tipo se someta a una revisión importante, incluido un trabajo de carrocería, siempre que dicho trabajo se realice dentro de una estructura o área cerrada similar diseñada y aprobada para tales fines (no en una zona residencial).

Appendix B Section 6.6 A of the Everman Municipal Code states no vehicle shall be parked on a lot or tract located within an area zoned as residential or multi-family unless the area upon which such vehicle is parked is paved with a hard surface. Hard surface shall be defined as asphalt or concrete. Parking on the grass in the front, side and back yards is prohibited.

La Sección 6.6 A del Apéndice B del Código Municipal de Everman establece que no se estacionará ningún vehículo en un lote o zona ubicada dentro de un área zonificada como residencial o multifamiliar a menos que el área en la que se estacione dicho vehículo esté pavimentada con una superficie dura. La superficie dura se definirá como asfalto u hormigón. Está prohibido estacionar en el césped de los patios delantero, lateral y trasero.

Section 10-37 of the Everman Municipal Code states (a) It shall be the duty of the person who owns, occupies, or leases, or is engaged in construction on any private or public property to keep the exterior property free of litter. (b) Persons who are owners, occupants or lessees of private property which abuts city sidewalks, streets, parkways, drainage ditches, or curb and gutter, shall keep those sidewalks, streets, parkways, curb and gutter, and drainage ditches free of litter by removing litter and placing it in a container. This includes grass and weeds that are growing in the gutter.

La Sección 10-37 del Código Municipal de Everman establece (a) Será deber de la persona que posee, ocupa, arrienda o participa en la construcción de cualquier propiedad pública o privada mantener la propiedad exterior libre de basura. (b) Las personas que sean propietarios, ocupantes o arrendatarios de bienes privados colindantes las aceras, calles, avenidas, zanjas de drenaje o bordillos y cunetas de la ciudad deberán mantener dichas aceras, calles, avenidas, bordillos y cunetas y zanjas de drenaje libres de basura retirándola y colocándola en un contenedor. Esto incluye el césped y las malas hierbas que crecen en la cuneta.

Section 10-4 of the Everman Municipal Code states (a) Except as provided in subsection (d) it is an offense for any person owning, leasing, claiming, occupying, or having supervision or control of any real property within the city, to suffer, permit, or allow uncultivated grass, weeds, or brush, to grow to a height greater than ten (10) inches on average upon such premises, including along

the sidewalk or street adjacent to the premises between the property line and the curb or, if there is no curb, between the property line and the driving surface.

(b) It shall be the duty of any person owning, leasing, claiming, occupying, or having supervision or control of any real property within the city to cut or cause to be cut, grass, weeds and brush, as often as necessary to comply with the requirements of this article.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (d), all grass, weeds, vegetation, or brush not regularly cultivated and which exceed ten (10) inches in height shall be presumed to be objectionable, unsightly, and unsanitary, and are hereby declared a public nuisance.

(d) For tracts of land in excess of five (5) acres, or that are used for the active production of livestock, it shall be required only that grass, weeds and vegetation, not regularly cultivated, be mowed to a height of no greater than ten (10) inches within a minimum of two hundred (200) feet of all adjacent property lines and public or private streets. This minimum may be revised on a case-by-case basis when deemed necessary by the fire department to ensure adequate fire safety of adjacent property containing structures or equipment.

(e) Property maintained in violation of this section shall be deemed a nuisance.

La Sección 10-4 del Código Municipal de Everman establece (a) Excepto lo dispuesto en la subsección (d), es un delito que cualquier persona que posea, arriende, reclame, ocupe o tenga supervisión o control de cualquier bien inmueble dentro de la ciudad, sufrir, permitir o permitir que pasto, malezas o matorrales no cultivados crezcan hasta un altura superior a diez (10) pulgadas en promedio en dichas instalaciones, incluso a lo largo de la acera o calle adyacente a las instalaciones entre el límite de la propiedad y la acera o, si no hay acera, entre el límite de la propiedad y la superficie de conducción.

b) Será deber de cualquier persona que posea, arriende, reclame, ocupe o tenga supervisión o control de cualquier bien inmueble dentro de la ciudad, cortar o hacer cortar el pasto, la maleza y la maleza, cuantas veces sea necesario para cumplir con los requisitos de este artículo.

(c) Excepto lo dispuesto en la subsección (d), todo pasto, maleza, vegetación o maleza que no se cultive regularmente y que exceda las diez (10) pulgadas de altura se presumirá como objetable,

antiestético e insalubre, y por la presente se declara una molestia pública.

(d) Para extensiones de tierra que excedan de cinco (5) acres, o que se utilicen para la producción activa de ganado, se requerirá únicamente que el pasto, las malezas y la vegetación, que no se cultiven regularmente, se corten a una altura de no más de diez (10) pulgadas dentro de un mínimo de doscientos (200) pies de todos los límites de propiedad adyacentes y calles públicas o privadas. Este mínimo puede revisarse caso por caso cuando el departamento de bomberos lo considere necesario para garantizar la seguridad contra incendios adecuada de las propiedades adyacentes que contienen estructuras o equipos.

(e) La propiedad mantenida en violación de esta sección se considerará una molestia.

If you have any questions, concerns or you wish to file a Code Violation complaint, please contact me:

Cpl. Scott Dabbs  
Everman Police Department  
Code Enforcement  
212 N Race St  
Everman TX 76140  
(817) 293-0525 ext. 306

